

# **SNIA Green Storage Program Overview**

## **What are the Activities and Benefits of Being Involved**

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**SNIA Emerald™ Training**

*SNIA Emerald™ Power Efficiency  
Measurement Specification*

*Version 3.0*

**February-March 2018**

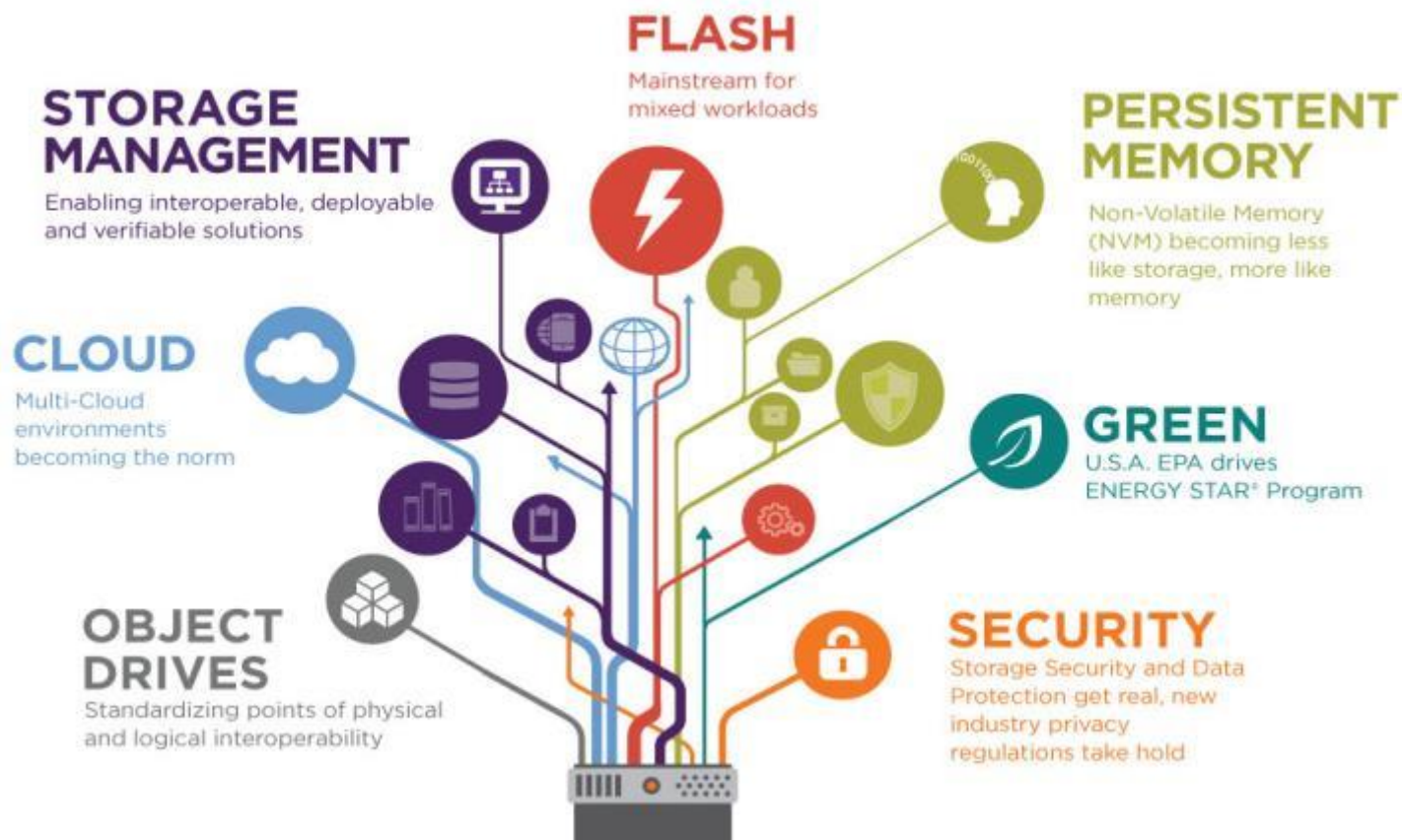
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# SNIA in Action



## Advancing Storage, Enabling the Future of IT

Leading the industry in developing and promoting standards, best practices and conformance testing programs.



### Cloud Data Management Interface (CDMI)

Interoperability and portability of data stored and protected in the cloud



### Storage Management

SMI-S for today's datacenters, and the emerging Swordfish for seamless management across servers, storage, and fabric



### Software Defined Storage

Changes how storage will be managed and deployed in the Software Defined Data Center



### Linear Tape File System (LTFS)

Bulk transfer to and from cloud environments



### Transport Layer Security protocol

Secures communication between storage clients and servers

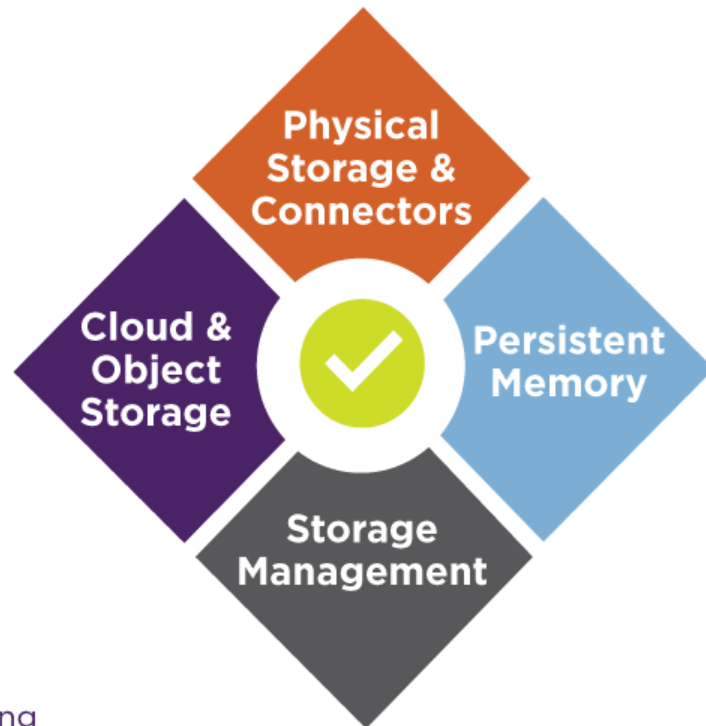


### SNIA Emerald

Advances the measurement of energy efficiency for networked storage systems

## 20 YEARS of Standards Development

- ✓ ISO & ANSI Standards
- ✓ Storage Standards
- ✓ Best Practices & Security
- ✓ Interoperability & Conformance Testing



## SNIA-at-a-Glance



**160**  
unique member  
companies



**2,500**  
active contributing  
members



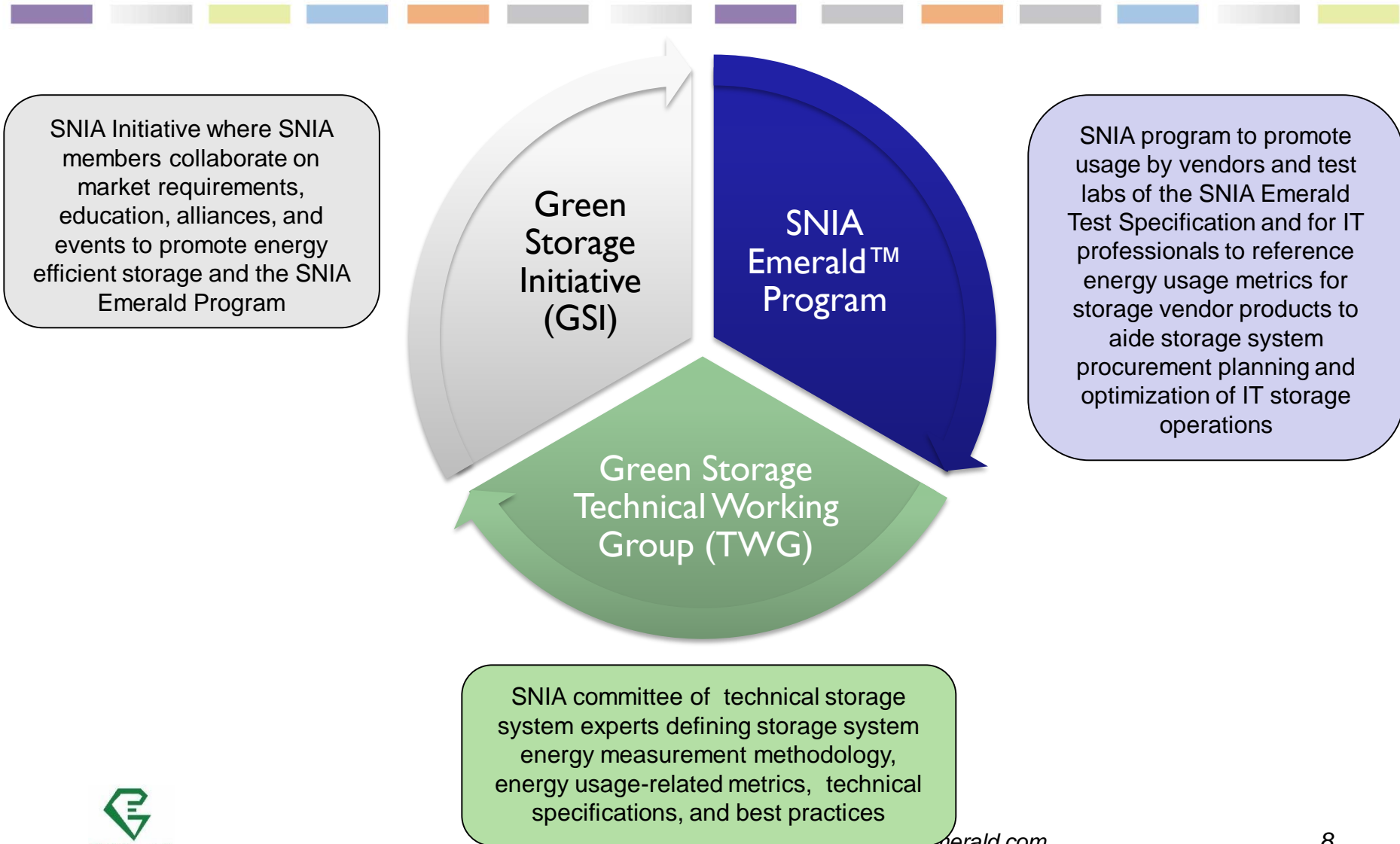
**50,000**  
IT end users & storage  
pros worldwide

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# SNIA Green Storage Overview





# SNIA Green Storage Initiative (GSI)



- Conducts research on power and cooling issues confronting storage administrators, data center operators, and industry regulators
- Educates the vendor and user community about the importance of power efficiency in shared storage environments
- Leverages SNIA and partner conferences to focus attention on energy efficiency for networked storage infrastructures
- Provides requirements input to the SNIA Green Storage TWG for green storage metrics and standards
- Provides external advocacy and support of SNIA Green Storage TWG technical work, cross-industry alliances with consortia and government agencies
- Operates the SNIA Emerald™ Program
- SNIA members pay an additional fee to join GSI; fees support engineering services in support of the Green Storage TWG deliverables



# Green Storage Technical Working Group (TWG)

- Technical body of storage experts developing green storage metrics and standards
- Develops the *SNIA Emerald™ Power Efficiency Measurement Specification*
- Develops *User Guide for the SNIA Emerald™ Power Efficiency Measurement Specification*
- Has path to ANSI and ISO de-jure standardization
- Operates under intellectual property policy protecting developers and users of work (as is typical of standards bodies)
- Any SNIA member can participate at no charge

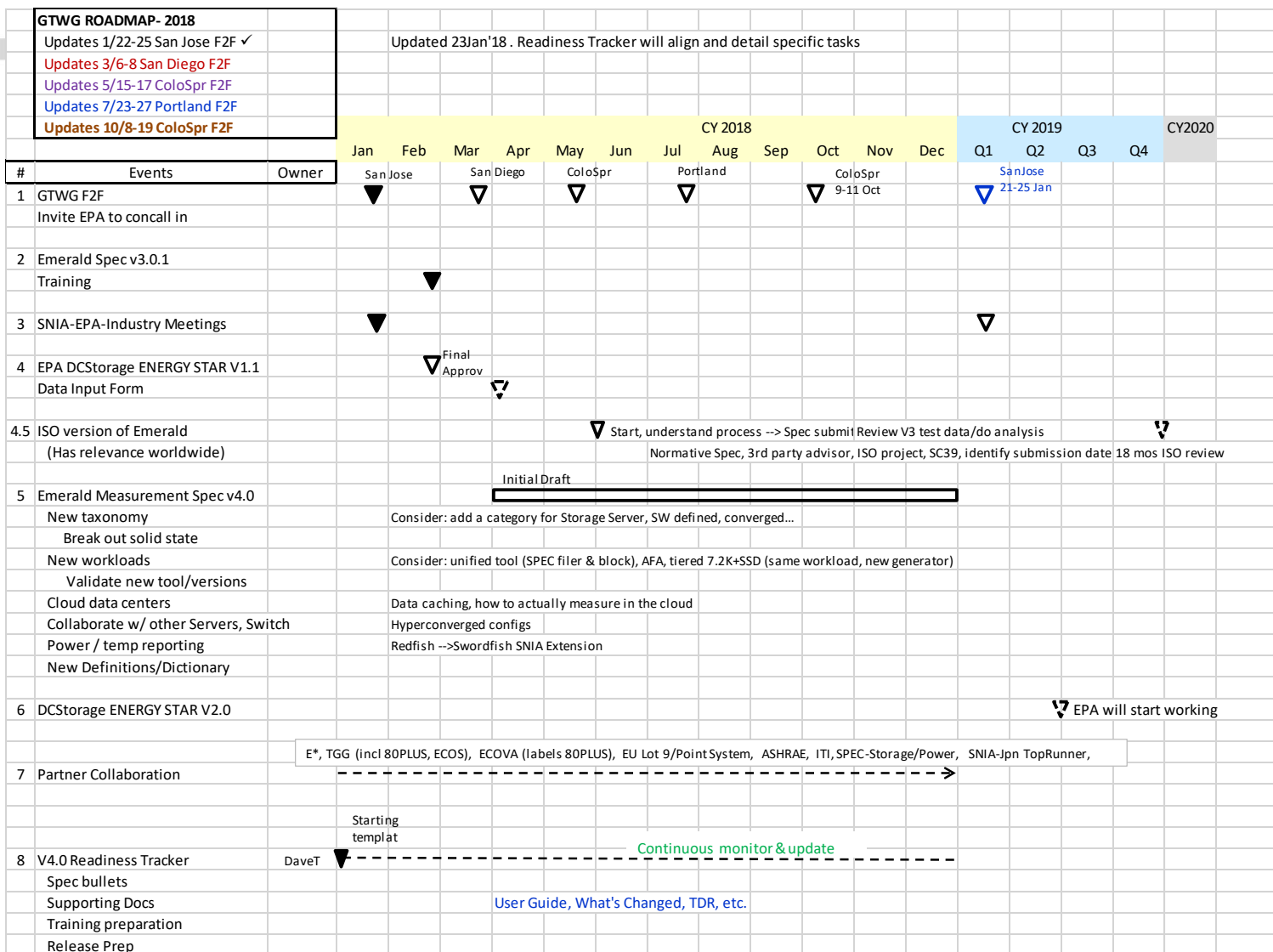
# SNIA Emerald™ Program

- Operated by the GSI
- Overall program for the Emerald Specification
  - ◆ Program on storage power efficiency measurement and publication
  - ◆ Centered on *SNIA Emerald™ Power Efficiency Measurement Specification* – the methodology adopted by ENERGY STAR Data Center Storage program
  - ◆ Supporting materials, tools, training, web site, recognized tester program, Q&A support, and more....<http://sniaemerald.com>
- Seeks to
  - ◆ Provide unified storage industry voice with industry stakeholders
  - ◆ Train test engineers and independent labs to use repeatable methods
  - ◆ Stimulate the IT community to deploy and efficiently operate multi-vendor storage technology

# SNIA Emerald™ Power Efficiency Measurement Specification

- Emerald Specification is the centerpiece of the Emerald Program
- Methodology adopted for ENERGY STAR Data Center Storage program by EPA; other global agencies in various stages of adoption ; EU Lot 9 and Japan Top Runner
- Specifies a rigorous methodology for measuring power efficiency of storage systems under typical data center\_conditions
- Status and Plans
  - ◆ Sept 2017 - V3.0 ; addresses online and near-online file server systems in addition to block IO (v2.1)
  - ◆ Submit 3.0.1 to ISO in mid-late 2018
  - ◆ Data analysis work 3.0 2H2018
  - ◆ Enable USA EPA Energy Star and Japan METI Top Runner programs in 2018
  - ◆ V4.0: address solid state storage-based devices, converged storage, object storage, revised taxonomy

# SNIA Green Roadmap

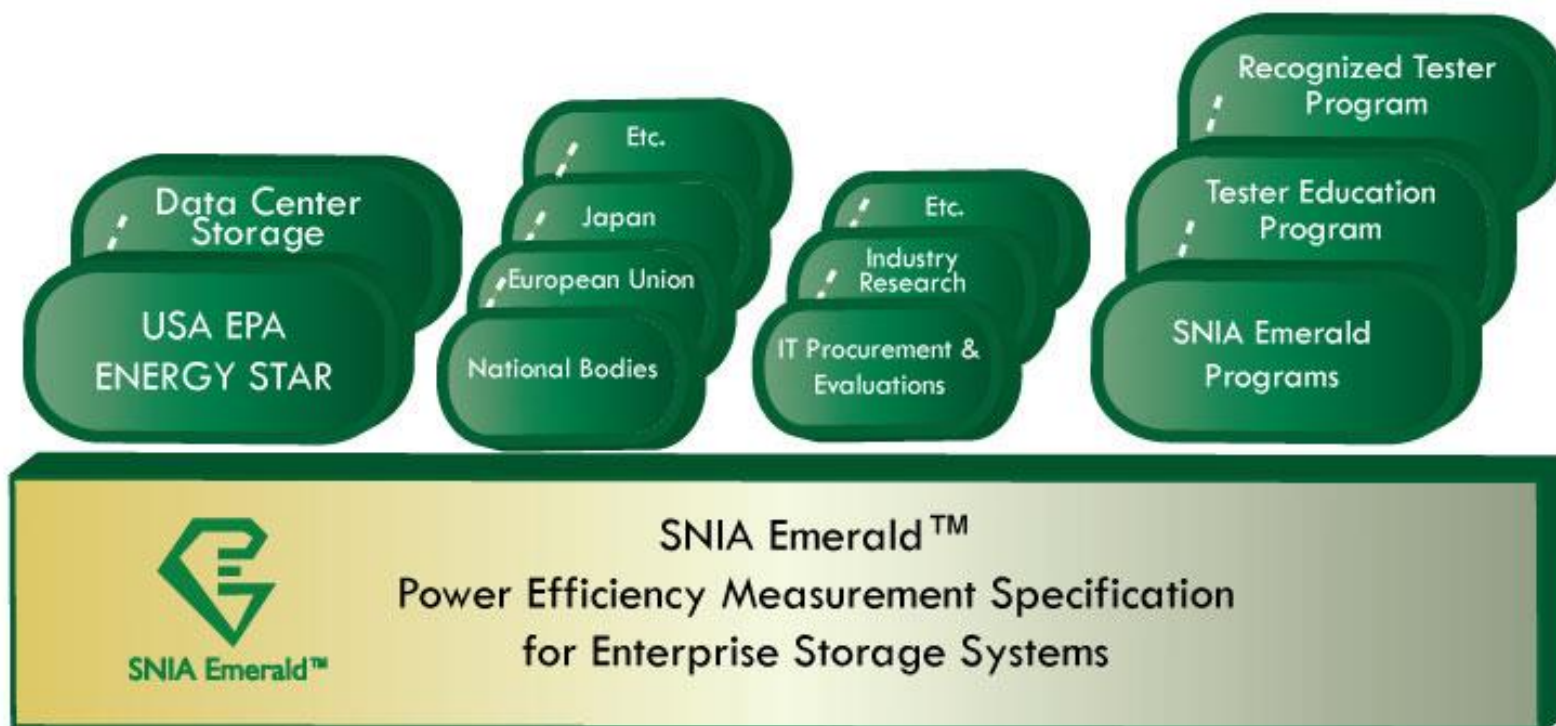


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# SNIA Emerald™ Specification Building Block for Industry





# SNIA Emerald™ Power Efficiency Measurement Specification



- ◆ **Taxonomy:** An industry-wide means of segmenting storage system products that span the range from consumer solutions to enterprise configurations. Used to categorize test results.
- ◆ **Test Methodology:** A detailed and consistent means of testing various types of storage systems with load generators and power measurement instruments.
- ◆ **Test Metrics - Idle Measurement Test:** **capacity/watt**  
Storage system is configured, powered up, connected to one or more hosts and capable of satisfying externally initiated, application-level initiated IO requests within normal response time constraints, but no such IO requests are being submitted.
- ◆ **Test Metrics - Active Measurement Tests:** **performance/watt**  
Storage system is in an “active” state processing externally initiated, application-level requests for data transfer between host(s) and the storage system.
  - ◆ 4 corners + hot band - Block IO
  - ◆ 4 application workloads – Filer IO
- ◆ **Capacity Optimization:** The specification addresses determining whether the storage system supports energy-saving storage capacity optimizations, including features such as deduplication and thin provisioning.



# SNIA Emerald Taxonomy:

## Online applies to HDD as well as SSS (hybrid or 100%)

Table 3 – Common Category Attributes

Attribute	Category			
	Online	Near-Online	Removable Media Library	Virtual Media Library
Access Pattern	Random/ Sequential	Random/ Sequential	Sequential	Sequential
MaxTTFD (t) <sup>a</sup>	t < 80 ms	t > 80 ms	t > 80 ms t < 5 min	t < 80 ms

# SNIA Emerald Taxonomy

## Size matters....

### 5.5 Online Category

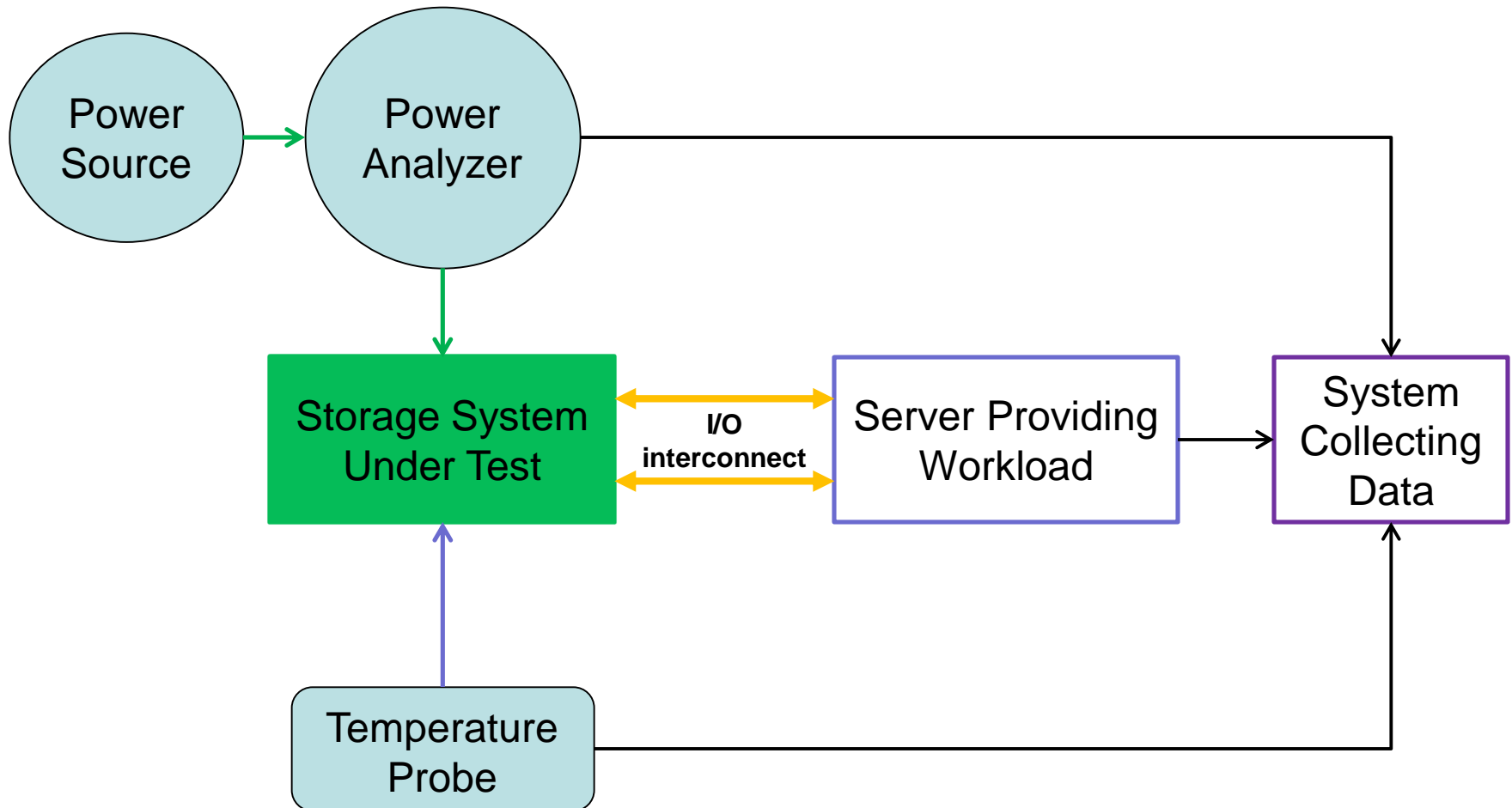
This category defines the features and functionalities for an online, random-access storage product. Products in this profile may provide any combination of block, file, or object interfaces. Table 4 defines the requirements for the taxonomy classifications defined in this category.

**Table 4 – Online Classifications**

Attribute	Classification					
	Online 1	Online 2	Online 3	Online 4	Online 5	Online 6
Access Pattern	Random/ Sequential	Random/ Sequential	Random/ Sequential	Random/ Sequential	Random/ Sequential	Random/ Sequential
MaxTTFD (t)	t < 80 ms	t < 80 ms	t < 80 ms	t < 80 ms	t < 80 ms	t < 80 ms
Connectivity	Not Specified	Connected to single or multiple hosts	Network-connected	Network-connected	Network-connected	Network-connected
Consumer/ Component	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
Integrated Storage Controller	Optional	Optional	Required	Required	Required	Required
Storage Protection	Optional	Optional	Required	Required	Required	Required
No SPOF	Optional	Optional	Optional	Required	Required	Required
Stable storage support	Optional, unless Required by protocol	Optional, unless Required by protocol	Required	Required	Required	Required
Non-Disruptive Serviceability	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional	Required	Required
FBA/CKD Support	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional	Required
Maximum Supported Configuration <sup>1</sup>	≥1	≥ 4	≥ 12	> 100	>400	>400

1. Maximum Supported Configuration does not apply to an all solid-state system that is not based on replaceable storage devices.

# Emerald Test Setup



# SNIA Emerald – ENERGY STAR Data Center Storage



- SNIA collaborated with EPA in defining ENERGY STAR Data Center Storage (DCS) Specification
- EPA adopted the Emerald Specification for test and measurement methodology that must be used for DCS
- DCS measurements
  - ◆ Are performed according to the Emerald Specification, *and*
  - ◆ Must meet some additional EPA requirements
- SNIA and EPA ongoing collaboration
  - ◆ Participates in Emerald Training events
  - ◆ Participates in SNIA meetings and industry workshops
  - ◆ EPA encouraged SNIA to create Recognized Tester Program
  - ◆ Review of industry test data to refine test methods
  - ◆ Storage taxonomy classes for future specifications

# ENERGY STAR

## Data Center Storage Submissions

<http://www.energystar.gov/productfinder/product/certified-data-center-storage>

ENERGY STAR Certified

### Data Center Storage

Visit the [Data Center Storage](#) page for usage tips and buying guidelines.



CHANGE  
product category

As of Feb 2018

#### Filter Your Results

180 Records Found

Sort by:

Brand Name ▾



filter by keyword

#### Product Type

- ☐ Online 2 (52)
- ☐ Online 3 (95)
- ☐ Online 4 (33)
- ☒ Do not filter

#### Brand Name

- ☐ DELL (41)
- ☐ Dell EMC (13)
- ☐ Dot Hill Systems Corp. (9)
- ☐ EMC VNX5400 (1)
- ☐ EMC VNX5600 (1)
- ☐ EMC VNX5800 (1)
- ☐ EMC VNX7600 (1)

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#### Storage Controller Configuration

- ☐ Scale-Out Storage (30)
- ☐ Scale-Up Storage (150)

#### D

- ☐ DELL (41)
- ☐ Dell EMC (13)
- ☐ Dot Hill Systems Corp. (9)

#### E

- ☐ EMC VNX5400 (1)
- ☐ EMC VNX5600 (1)
- ☐ EMC VNX5800 (1)
- ☐ EMC VNX7600 (1)

#### H

- ☐ Hewlett Packard (4)
- ☐ Hewlett Packard Enterprise (4)
- ☐ Hitachi (2)
- ☐ HP (1)

- ☐ HP StoreServ (5)
- ☐ HPE 3PAR StoreServ (5)
- ☐ HPE StoreVirtual 3200 (1)
- ☐ HUAWEI (1)

#### I

- ☐ IBM (7)

#### L

- ☐ Lenovo (15)
- ☐ Lenovo Ltd. (8)

#### N

- ☐ NEC; HITACHI (1)
- ☐ NEC; Storage Engine; Scale Logic, Inc. (1)

- ☐ NetApp, Inc (37)
- ☐ NetApp, Inc. (6)

#### P

- ☐ Pure Storage (1)
- ☐ Pure Storage, Inc. (2)

#### S

- ☐ Seagate (8)
- ☐ Storage Engine (1)

#### V

- ☐ Veritas (2)
- ☐ Veritas Technologies LLC (1)

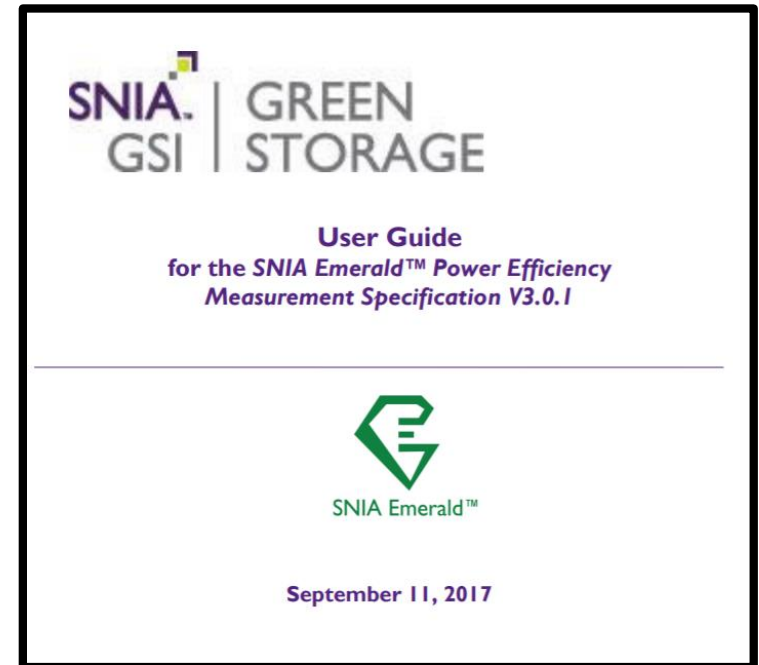
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# SNIA Emerald Specification User Guide

- User Guide containing advice on performing measurements according to the Emerald Specification
- Workload generating software tools for driving the storage system under test
- Scripts for operating the software tools
- Test Data Set Generator software for certain tests
- Test Report data, metrics, and SUT configuration for publishing results



# Training on Emerald Testing

- Slides and videos from past training events available on [sniaemerald.com/training](http://sniaemerald.com/training) web site
  - ◆ V2.0.2 4-day training session conducted July 2014
  - ◆ V2.1 webinar training session conducted July 2015
- Upcoming Training event
  - ◆ **February 2018:** 22 hours of webinar over 2 weeks in 4 hour blocks

SNIA Emerald V3.0 Training Schedule					
			Pacific		
Month	Date	Day	Time	Format	Theme
February	20th	Tuesday	10am-2pm	webinar	Storage Primer
February	21st	Wednesday	10am-2pm	webinar	SNIA and EPA Program Overview
February	22nd	Thursday	10am-12N	webinar	SNIA Emerald Programs TWG, GSI, RTP
February	27th	Tuesday	10am-2pm	webinar	Emerald 3.0 Specification and Tool Deep Dive
February	28th	Wednesday	10am-2pm	webinar	Generating Emerald Test Data
March	1st	Thursday	10am-2pm	webinar	Analyze and Report Emerald Metrics

# Recognized Tester Program (RTP)

- Recognize organizations that have demonstrated proficiency in performing testing in accordance with the Emerald Specification
  - ◆ Testing service vendors
  - ◆ Independent labs
  - ◆ Manufacturers' in-house test teams
- Leverage SNIA Emerald™ training
- Build global ecosystem of quality testers
- Nominal Fee to enroll; awarded Certificate; Emerald Program website listing
- Not required to be a tester for SNIA Emerald or EPA ENERGY STAR
- Validates capabilities to run SNIA Emerald tests, generate/analyze data test results, and complete reports
- No interdependencies with ISO 17025 for test facility
- No interdependencies with EPA registered test labs



The following organizations are acknowledged as SNIA Emerald™ Recognized Testers.

#### SNIA EMERALD™ POWER EFFICIENCY MEASUREMENT SPECIFICATION

Organization		Taxonomy Class / Levels
Demartek, LLC	Golden, CO USA	Green 2.3.1



# Recognized Tester Program

- Available for V2.1 and V3.0 Block IO
- Assessing interest for V3.0 File IO

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# SNIA Green TWG and GSI Membership Benefit Matrix

Activity/Benefit	SNIA GSI Member (Must be SNIA Member)	SNIA Green TWG Member	SNIA Emerald Newsletter (No membership required)
Industry collaboration with national bodies and industry associations for ICT energy efficiency programs, e.g. EPA, EU, APJ, SPEC, TGG, 80Plus	√	√	-
Member/company recognition, industry leadership for energy efficiency, SNIA GSI programs, market development and deliverables	√	-	-
Shape, contribute, and early access to SNIA energy measurement specifications referenced by national bodies, e.g. EPA	-	√	-
Access to technical expertise for energy test and measurement specification methods and development	-	√	-
Discounts on GSI fee-based programs	\$\$\$	\$	-
Access approved and published SNIA Emerald documents <a href="http://www.sniaemerald.com">www.sniaemerald.com</a>	√	√	√
Newsletter and notices for SNIA green storage activities, SNIA Emerald Program	√√	√√	√

# GreenTWG planned work activities through 2018

- SNIA Emerald Specification 3.0 (Member approved Sept 2017)
  - ◆ File System IO test and measurement methods data analysis
  - ◆ Collaboration with EPA Energy Star for EPA V1.1 – cross-referencing SNIA Emerald V3.0 ; Collaboration SNIA-J/METI Japan Top Runner Program
  - ◆ Tester training February 2018
  - ◆ ISO Submission mid-late year 2018
- Collaboration with Green Grid
  - ◆ EU Lot 9 Responses for measurement program, power supply ratings
  - ◆ Storage whitepaper w/ block IO analysis; Operational metrics
- SNIA Emerald V4.0 specification development
  - ◆ Target completion 2019
  - ◆ Address AFA, SDC, Object Storage, adjust taxonomies
- Collaboration with ECOS 80Plus for Power Supplies and Efficiency Ratings

## ➤ Green Storage Technical Work Group

- ◆ Weekly concalls, 2 hours
- ◆ Face to Face 2-3 day Technical Symposiums held in various locations in USA
  - January, March, May, July, October
- ◆ Coordinated EPA industry stakeholder meetings
  - 2x year

## ➤ Green Storage Initiative

- ◆ Weekly concalls, 1 hour
- ◆ 4 hour session during face to face Technical Symposiums

# GSI 2018 Members

➤ GSI Dues Voting - \$12000 ; Non-voting \$6000

- Fujitsu – Non-Voting
- HDS - Non-voting
- HPE – Voting
- NetApp – Voting
- Pure Storage - Voting
- Seagate –Non-Voting

## *Green Storage Initiative • Member Companies*

### GSI Members - Voting



**Hewlett Packard**  
Enterprise



**NetApp**



**PURE**STORAGE

### GSI Members - Non-voting

**FUJITSU**

**HITACHI**  
Inspire the Next



# SNIA and SNIA GSI Membership Fees

- SNIA Base Membership (based on company revenue, small, medium, large; based on vendor)
  - ◆ Voting : \$8,500 ; \$14,500 ; \$40,000
  - ◆ Non-voting: \$3,500 ; \$8,500; \$15,000
  - ◆ Non-vendor categories are less per tier for voting/non-voting
- SNIA Green Storage Initiative (no tiers for revenue); requires SNIA Base membership
  - ◆ Voting : \$12,000
  - ◆ Non-voting : \$6,000
- Special one-time discounts may be available, speak with membership services director Erin Weiner, [erin.weiner@snia.org](mailto:erin.weiner@snia.org)
- Other GSI program fees
  - ◆ Recognized Tester Program ; \$12,000 for assessment, \*discounted 25% GSI; 10% SNIA

# SNIA GSI Allocation of GSI Membership Fees

## ➤ TWG supported services (35%)

- ◆ Technical writer
- ◆ Special testing projects
- ◆ Subject matter experts
- ◆ Face to face meeting costs

## ➤ GSI Programs (40%)

- ◆ SNIA Emerald Program Manager
- ◆ SNIA Recognized Tester Program (additional applicant fees)
- ◆ SNIA Emerald Training
- ◆ Program adoption and market development

## ➤ Core SNIA infrastructure and services (25%)

- ◆ Web presence, collaboration tools, SNIA staff, legal and accounting services, etc.



# Advancing SNIA Green without being a paid-member of SNIA

- Individual membership fee waived in exchange for active participation and contributions to GreenTWG and GSI deliverables.
  - ◆ Email [emerald@snia.org](mailto:emerald@snia.org)
- Technical contribution to SNIA Specification via Contributors License Agreement (CLA)
  - ◆ <https://www.snia.org/opensource>

## ➤ SNIA Green Storage Initiative

- ◆ <http://www.snia.org/forums/green>
- ◆ Green storage tutorials, white papers, and alliances

## ➤ SNIA Emerald™ Program

- ◆ <http://sniaemerald.com>
- ◆ SNIA Emerald Test Specification
- ◆ Comprehensive online technical training
- ◆ Storage vendor product listing with measured energy usage metrics
- ◆ SNIA Emerald Recognized Tester Program

## ➤ USA EPA ENERGYSTAR Data Center Storage

- ◆ Specification:  
[https://www.energystar.gov/products/spec/data\\_center\\_storage\\_specification\\_version\\_1\\_0\\_pd](https://www.energystar.gov/products/spec/data_center_storage_specification_version_1_0_pd)
- ◆ Storage vendor product listing with measured metrics
  - <http://www.energystar.gov/productfinder/product/certified-data-center-storage>

# Questions ?



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